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**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the first paragraph of the specification following the title of the invention with the following new paragraph:

**Cross Reference to Related Applications**

This application is a continuation in part of U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 10/078,949, filed February 20, 2002, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 09/479,783, filed January 7, 2000, which is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 08/870,608, filed June 6, 1997, now U.S. Patent Number 6,107,094, which is a continuation in part of U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 08/659,440, filed June 6, 1996, now U.S. Patent Number 5,898,031, each of which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety. The present application also claims benefit to U.S. Provisional Application Serial Number 60/423,760 filed ~~September 15, 2003~~ November 5, 2002, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.